

Department Of Toxic Substance Control Pollution Prevention Advisory Committee August 3, 2000 Meeting Notes

The Department of Toxic Substances Control's (DTSC) Pollution Prevention Advisory Committee met in the DTSC's Berkeley office on August 3, 2000.

ATTENDANCE

Public members:

Barbara Brenner, Breast Cancer Action

Greg Beach, San Bernardino County Fire Dept./CalCUPA Forum

Kelly Moran, Sierra Club

Maggie Robbins, California Federation of Labor

Ann Heil, Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts

Brian Cox, Humboldt County Environmental Health

Larry Moore, Larry's AutoWorks

Joy Williams, Environmental Health Coalition

Absent:

Jim Schrack, BP

Stewart Crook, Agilent Technologies

Cal/EPA boards, departments and offices (ex officio representatives):

Bill Orr, Integrated Waste Management Board

Lynn Baker (for Don Ames), Air Resources Board

Jim Bennett, state Water Resources Control Board

Jim Donald, Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment

Bob Hoffman, Cal/EPA Office of the Secretary; Department of Toxic Substances

Control

Bob Borzelleri, DTSC

DTSC staff

Kim Wilhelm, David Hartley, Alan Ingham, Kathy Barwick, David Miller, Maxine Richey, Ann Blake, Natalie Marcanio, Ray Wong, Marcia Murphy

Visitors

Robin Bedell-Waite, Contra Costa County Environmental Health Susan Blachman, Environmental Finance Center Sarah Diefendorf, Environmental Finance Center

KEY OUTCOMES

* The following desired meeting outcomes were identified during agenda review:

- a) Understanding the range of voluntary programs; possible make a recommendation to DTSC
- b) Agreement on discussion topics for next three meetings
- c) Identify resources for "big picture" discussions
- d) Prepare for upcoming year's discussions
- * A timeline for the DTSC's implementation of SB 1916 was presented. Key milestones include:
 - --October 2001: Preliminary draft of the 02-04 workplan due for Advisory Committee review
 - -- January 15 2002: Draft 02-04 workplan available for public review
 - -- April 1 2002: 02-04 final workplan due
- * DTSC presented information on voluntary pollution prevention programs. The goals of the legislation (SB 1916) were reviewed, followed by a presentation on five kinds of voluntary programs. DTSC staff recommended that we meet the goals of SB 1916 by incorporating the goals into existing or planned work (e.g., incorporating the goals into the existing petroleum refining project, which is essentially a voluntary project, or incorporating the goals into the large industry project to be developed for the 2002-2004 pollution prevention workplan).

Action item: DTSC will present specific proposals for implementing the voluntary program at the next Advisory Committee (November 7)

Some elements of success were identified, including:

- Focus on specific target
- Follow up on existing work plan
- Programs with legislative support (e.g., AB 939 & WRAP)
- Continue to raise the bar
- Integrate challenge and rewards
- Cost-effective
- Program endures over time
- <u>Program evolves over time</u>
- Includes whole state
- Piggy back on other similar/successful programs (e.g., Health Care Without Harm)
- Cross-media
- Everyone is a winner
- Focus on the good guys, and those in basic compliance
- * DTSC presented a proposed list of topics for the upcoming year Advisory Committee meetings. Rather than choose from this list, the Committee used the longer list of potential discussion topics contained in Chapter 7 of DTSC's 2-Year Pollution Prevention Workplan and Report. The outcome of the discussion was a short list of topics, and the establishment of subcommittees to help frame the issues. The list is as follows, in order of priority:

- 1. Multimedia pollution prevention at Cal/EPA. Subcommittee members: Bob Borzelleri (leader), Jim Donald, Bill Orr, Kelly Moran, Bob Hoffman, Maggie Robbins.
- 2. Local government pollution prevention. Subcommittee members: Brian Cox (leader), Greg Beach, Bob Hoffman
- 3. Focusing p2 on pollutants of concern. Subcommittee members: Ann Heil (leader), Jim Bennett, Joy Williams
- 4. Agribusiness pollution prevention (including pesticide use)
- 5. Pollution prevention and consumer products (including pesticide use)
- 6. Chemical use reduction
- 7. product stewardship, "take-back" requirements

Topics 4, 5, 6 and 7 will be framed by a single subcommittee: Kelly Moran (leader), Ann Heil, Larry Moore, Bob Borzelleri

These subcommittees will work to frame the issues and develop draft recommendations for full Advisory Committee discussions.

Action item: DTSC staff will set up conference calls for each committee by September 10, 2000.

* Dave Hartley and Alan Ingham presented updates on the current pollution prevention targets (vehicle service and repair, and petroleum refineries).

NEXT MEETING

November 7, 2000, in Sacramento. Specific time and location to be announced.